

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING TAIWAN ON ITS CENTENNIAL

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, on the occasion of its Centennial National Day on October 10, 2011, I wish to extend to the Republic of China (Taiwan) my sincerest congratulations and best wishes.

Taiwan has been a staunch ally of the United States and demonstrates that friendship in myriad ways, ranging from the healthy trade relationship we share to education and even popular culture. For example, Taiwan regularly sends its agricultural procurement mission to purchase U.S. products. Taiwan's mission, currently visiting the United States, plans to purchase more than \$5.6 billion in wheat, corn, soybean and other agricultural products. For its defense needs, Taiwan seeks to purchase advanced weapons from us, including F-16s fighters and possibly submarines in the future. Further, our Taiwanese friends have long appreciated many facets of U.S. culture, to include our system of education, our democratic values and even our regional culinary traditions. We return that admiration in kind and are proud to share so many cultural and political values with the people of Taiwan.

The Republic of China is a shining example of a democratic, open society in the region. The advancements and development achieved over the last century are laudable and, for these reasons, I offer heartfelt congratulations on this very special occasion.

WEST CHESTER B. REED HENDERSON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966—VETERANS OF U.S. ARMED FORCES

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor graduates of West Chester B. Reed Henderson High School Class of 1966 whom served in our Armed Forces. These individuals served the United States honorably and proudly and I commend their service. The following are the names of those individuals:

Charles B. Spadoni. 1st Lieutenant. Army
Jon H. Barber. Lieutenant Colonel. Army
Raymond C. Carr. E-4 PFC. National Guard
Stephen C. Cottrell. E-4 Sgt. Air Force
Maria Cottrell. Sergeant. Air Force
Brad Johnson. 2nd Class Quartermaster. Navy
David E. Haring. E-5 Sergeant. Army

S. Kurt Hettel. E-7 Specialist. USA Reserve
Ronald F. Hoopes. E-4 Specialist. Army
Gary V. Jamison. E-4 3rd Class Petty Officer. Navy

Harry C. Jamison III. E-5 Specialist. Army
Ernst W. Jordan, Jr. E-4 Petty Officer 3rd Class. Navy

Walter S. Mitchell. E-4 Specialist. Army
W. Eric Pederson. Lieutenant Colonel. Army
Arnold S. Hughes. Army

Thomas D. Rodgers. E-4 Petty Officer. Navy

David A. Salvesson. Lieutenant Commander. Navy

George M. Smith. E-4 Specialist. Army
Frederick W. Waldbuesser. E-4 Specialist

Harry J. Cabot. E-4. Air Force
Joseph R. Skovrinski. E-5 2nd Class Petty Officer. Navy

Nicholas Ranalli. E-5 Sergeant. Army
Robert J. Dehaven. E-5 2nd Class Petty Officer. Navy

Ernst Tallington. Sergeant. Air Force
John J. Higham. E-5 Specialist. Army
Clifford R. Angry. E-5 Sergeant. Air Force
Terry Neilon. Colonel. Army

IN HONOR OF MR. JACOB NASH

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Jacob Nash who is being awarded the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Freedom Award at the Cleveland Stonewall Democrats' Freedom Fund Reception on September 26, 2011.

The Cleveland Stonewall Democrats is one of more than ninety chapters of the National Stonewall Democrats throughout the country. They are a grassroots movement devoted to securing equal rights for all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

Mr. Nash earned a Masters in Psychology, specializing in diversity management, from Cleveland State University. For the past decade, he has worked as an independent trainer and consultant specialist in transgender and diversity issues. He has trained politicians, social workers and medical professionals on caring for and respecting transgender people. Mr. Nash is currently working for the Ohio Department of Children and Family Services and previously worked as the Executive Director for Transfamily of Cleveland.

Mr. Nash became an active activist in 2002, after fighting for and winning the right to marry Erin. Over the past several years, Mr. Nash has traveled across the Midwest speaking with legislators regarding civil rights legislation. He has worked closely with the cities of Cleveland and Akron as they developed their 2009 non-discrimination policies. Mr. Nash is also active

with Equality Ohio, TransOhio, the LGBT Center of Greater Cleveland, Human Rights Campaign, the National Center for Transgender Equality and the Cleveland Stonewall Democrats.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mr. Jacob Nash on the occasion of being honored with the Cleveland Stonewall Democrats' Stephanie Tubbs Jones Freedom Award.

TRANSPARENCY IN REGULATORY ANALYSIS OF IMPACTS OF THE NATION ACT OF 2011

SPEECH OF

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2401) to require analyses of the cumulative and incremental impacts of certain rules and actions of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes:

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Chair, I'm deeply disappointed that once again we're voting on a bill designed to cripple the Environmental Protection Agency—the agency tasked with protecting our environment and our health.

This bill, the Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation, TRAIN, Act blocks and indefinitely delays two of the most important clean air regulations of the last few decades—the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards, and the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule.

These rules require decades-old coal-fired power plants with no modern pollution controls to install readily available technology, reducing cancer-causing dioxins, acid gases and mercury.

Mercury pollution from power plants is particularly harmful for children and can adversely affect developing brains and bodies. Nevertheless, the bill before us expands and deregulates mercury pollution.

The American Lung Association has highlighted the importance of the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards Rule:

The rule closes a toxic loophole that has existed for 20 years by updating standards to protect Americans all across the country from hazardous air pollution. Without these standards, toxic pollution will continue filling our lungs and more people will suffer—and even die—unnecessarily.

TRAIN Act will create a Train Wreck that will pollute our air and put lives at risk. Ironically, the bill also creates exactly what the majority says they want to get rid of—a new bureaucratic layer to analyze only the cost of EPA regulations while ignoring critical, life-saving benefits.

This legislation is a waste of taxpayer money and I urge my colleagues to vote against it.

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HONORING THE JOHN BASILONE
MEMORIAL PARADE

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the organizers of the John Basilone Memorial Parade which takes place in Somerset County, New Jersey. This year they celebrate 30 years of remembrance for an American hero.

Gunnery Sergeant John Basilone was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his valiant efforts at the Battle of Guadalcanal on October 24, 1942. After his 15-man unit was reduced to himself and two others by Japanese forces, Gunnery Sgt. Basilone took command of two sections of machine guns and bravely fought for 48 hours with his two fellow Marines. When ammunition became scarce, he battled through enemy grounds to gather more. And, by the end of the fight, the Japanese troops were nearly destroyed.

Upon his return to his hometown in the Borough of Raritan, New Jersey, Gunnery Sgt. Basilone was welcomed home with a parade held in his honor on September 21, 1943. The first parade was covered by both Life magazine and the Fox Movietone News. The Newsreel was then shown in movie theatres throughout the country.

Tragically, after requesting to return to the fleet, Gunnery Sgt. Basilone lost his life during the invasion of Iwo Jima on February 19, 1945. For his duty in Iwo Jima, Sgt. Basilone posthumously received the Navy Cross, becoming the only Marine enlisted in World War II to receive both the Medal of Honor and the Navy Cross.

Sgt. Basilone's memory was not forgotten in his hometown, and in 1981, the John Basilone Memorial Parade began and is now in its 30th year. Every September, the Borough of Raritan and neighboring communities come together to not only remember our fallen war hero, but to honor our military and unite as a community. The John Basilone Parade is more than just a parade, it is an opportunity for Americans to come together and celebrate the freedoms we share and those who fight to protect them.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in recognizing the organizers of the John Basilone Memorial Parade for honoring not only one American hero, but all those who fight for our country.

IN HONOR OF MR. TIMOTHY
DOWNING

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Timothy Downing who is being awarded the 2011 Cleveland Stonewall Democrats Leadership Award at the Cleveland Stonewall Democrats' Freedom Fund Reception on September 26, 2011.

The Cleveland Stonewall Democrats is one of more than ninety chapters of the National Stonewall Democrats throughout the country.

They are a grassroots movement devoted to securing equal rights for all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

Mr. Downing graduated with his undergraduate degree from Allegheny College in 1985 and earned his Juris Doctor degree in 1988 from Cleveland's Case Western Reserve University. He began his career in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the law firm of Rose, Schmidt, Hasley and Disalle. For the past 23 years Mr. Downing has been co-chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of the Cleveland law firm Ulmer & Berne LLP, where he is also a partner. Mr. Downing is an active member of the American, Ohio State, and Cleveland Bar Associations' Labor & Employment Sections/Committees. He has also served as the chair of the Financial Committee for Ohio's Local Government Reform and Collaboration Commission for 18 months under former Governor Strickland. Mr. Downing has been recognized throughout his career; he was named a "Super Lawyer" by Cincinnati Law & Politics magazine and a "Leading Lawyer" by Inside Business magazine for the past 10 consecutive years.

In addition to his career, Mr. Downing is also an outspoken activist and advocate for the LGBT community. He founded Equality Ohio, an organization dedicated to "an Ohio where everyone feels home; living in families and communities where equality, diversity and inclusiveness are universally valued; and where government protects all people and responds to their needs, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity or expression." Mr. Downing is currently the co-chair of the Board of Directors for the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), the nation's largest LGBT civil rights and education organization.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mr. Timothy Downing on the occasion of being honored with the 2011 Cleveland Stonewall Democrats Leadership Award.

HONORING THE LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the League of Women Voters of Oakland, who are celebrating 100 years of women voting in California, starting with the historic and narrowly won California state referendum and the first California Civic League, Berkeley Forum led by Miss Blanche Morse in 1911. It is an immense honor to represent Bay Area communities who have truly been at the forefront of a century's worth of major achievements in social justice.

Over the years, the League of Women Voters of Oakland, as well as its sister leagues in Berkeley/Albany/Emeryville, Piedmont and the surrounding Bay Area, have worked tirelessly to advocate, educate and champion citizens' informed and active participation in government and civic affairs.

An expansive and well-organized network of committed chapters, over 4,000 members in 21 local Leagues comprise the League of Women Voters of the Bay Area (LWVBA), which took shape in 1959. On a national

scale, the League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS) was founded during the 1920 convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, held just 6 months before the 19th amendment was ratified. Thus, after a 72-year struggle, the U.S. Constitution finally reflected what women in the Bay Area and California had fought to achieve a decade earlier.

As members of the League of Women Voters, you are part of a magnificent legacy. Additionally, you have pledged to continue to be the kind of bold pioneers and astute advocates who led us to this point. Therefore, I would like to thank you for your dedicated service in guiding and encouraging our community toward civic engagement.

Moreover, the League has flexed its power in shaping public policy through the strength of its grassroots organization and by maintaining its important stance of non-partisanship. For example, the Oakland chapter has been a major advocate for ranked choice voting, quality education and accessible housing. Likewise, the Berkeley, Albany, Emeryville chapter has worked extensively on advocating for fair housing and the promotion of social resources, including mental health, education, juvenile justice and senior services. And, the Piedmont chapter holds positions in the areas of social policy, diversity and natural resources, to name a few.

On behalf of the residents of California's 9th Congressional District, I would like to congratulate you on this milestone and thank you for the invaluable service you provide to our community. I wish the League of Women Voters' local, state and national members all the best as you forge ahead toward another 100 years of protecting the rights of voters, promoting sound policy and creating a more just and peaceful world.

IN RECOGNITION OF ALBANY
TECHNICAL COLLEGE'S 50TH AN-
NIVERSARY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor to extend a heartfelt congratulations to the administration, faculty, students, alumni and supporters of Albany Technical College, as this institution celebrates 50 years of providing vocational and technical training to thousands of Georgia residents. This learning center commemorates its 50th anniversary on Friday, September 30, 2011, with a gala at the Phoebe Towers North in Albany, Georgia. This widely attended gala will enable local dignitaries, prospective students, past graduates and other individuals from southwest Georgia to pay tribute to an institution that has positively contributed to Albany, Georgia's economic development and mercantile maturation over the last half century.

Founded in 1961, Albany Tech was originally established as the Monroe Area Vocational-Technical School. Shortly thereafter, the Albany Area Vocational-Technical School was built, and in 1972 the two schools merged to form a comprehensive and thriving educational cooperative. In 1988, the school continued its ongoing transformational advancement

through its affiliation with the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education (DTAE) and the Technical College System of Georgia. This worthwhile partnership, allowed Albany Tech to expand its outreach initiatives by providing technical training opportunities to the residents, businesses and industries within a seven-county service delivery area. These counties include Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Dougherty, Lee, Randolph and Terrell.

Today, Albany Tech has adult learning centers in all seven of its service delivery counties. The college has more than 3,000 full-time students and another 2,500 are enrolled part-time in seminars, continuing education courses, teleconferences and customized business training programs.

As a member of the Technical College System of Georgia, Albany Tech provides vocational training support services for the thousands of non-traditional students, employees and industries that make-up southwest Georgia's expansive and ever evolving economic landscape. To accomplish this mission, the college utilizes traditional and distance learning methods. Specifically, the institution offers a wide-range of technical certificates that prepare students for employment opportunities in the fields of information technology, culinary arts, aeronautics, airplane construction, electronics, health care and other leading industrial careers.

I would also like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Albany Tech's current President, Dr. Anthony Parker, for his outstanding leadership in promoting and advancing this training institution's many outstanding vocational services. Southwest Georgians will forever be indebted to Dr. Parker and his well-respected predecessor, Nathaniel Cross, for all they have done to make Albany Tech a more accessible and highly resourceful training facility for the many individuals and industries that rely on the school's key services.

Dr. Parker, his predecessors, and the Board of Directors should all be commended for their contributions in making Albany Tech a vital part of our local communities.

For years, the administration, faculty and alumni of Albany Technical College have been steadfastly dedicated and fully committed to implementing training programs designed to advance the economic development needs of southwest Georgia's workforce, small business community and corporations.

Due to this institution's diligent work and extraordinary efforts, employees, entrepreneurs and business owners throughout southwest Georgia have enjoyed continued success. In addressing the economic needs of hard-working Georgians through the expansive availability of strong vocational training programs, Albany Tech has facilitated our community's abilities to better respond to and meet the civic needs of our local residents.

Mr. Speaker, in closing I ask that my colleagues join me in expressing our collective and profound gratitude to the faculty, staff, alumni and supporters of Albany Technical College for all they have done to improve the quality of life for the residents of Georgia's Second Congressional District.

IN HONOR OF SERGEANT LOUIS J. MACHOVEC

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Sergeant Louis J. Machovec, an iconic police officer from the Cleveland Police Department (CPD), as he celebrates his 100th birthday on September 29, 2011.

Sgt. Machovec was born on September 29, 1911 in Cleveland's North Broadway neighborhood. He was one of three sons born to Jan and Anna Machovec, immigrants from Bohemia, Czechoslovakia. He attended Our Lady of Lourdes school and later graduated from Thomas Edison High School. After high school, during the Great Depression, Louis worked various jobs including working as groundskeeper at Lakeview Cemetery, in a railroad boiler factory and as a Cleveland taxi driver.

In 1937, Sgt. Machovec took the qualifying test to become a Cleveland police officer. After Eliot Ness became the city's Safety Director, the entire police force was given the exam again. Sgt. Machovec scored sixth out of more than 800 applicants and was asked to become a member of the first Cleveland Police Academy Class. After working on accident prevention for a short time, Sgt. Machovec was asked to join in the investigation of the Kingsbury Run murders; the Cleveland Torso Murderer was never caught.

He worked in various departments, ultimately joining the CPD's communications division. He worked as the voice of the Cleveland Police Department for many years, through the 1950 Thanksgiving snowstorm and the Hough Riots in the 1960s. Later, Sgt. Machovec ran the police internal telephone exchange and bank alarm departments until his retirement. He served with the Cleveland Police Department for 39 years.

Following his retirement, Sgt. Machovec moved to Solon, Ohio to be closer to his wife, Margaret, and their daughters, Mary Lou and Margaret. Today, he enjoys spending time with his children and grandchildren and still wears his grey CPD shirt.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in wishing Sgt. Louis Machovec a very happy 100th birthday and thanking him for his dedicated service with the Cleveland Police Department.

COMMEMORATING REVEREND
WILLIE G. DIXON

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, in recognition of his 80th birthday milestone, I rise to commend the inspirational leadership of Reverend Willie G. Dixon. Reverend Dixon is a wonderful example of how a local leader can help shape future generations and make a difference in their community. Reverend Dixon's accomplishments are worthy of recognition by the entire Tampa community.

A native of Tampa, Florida, Reverend Dixon entered the Air Force upon completion of high

school. After serving our country, Dixon was honorably discharged and enrolled at Tennessee State University where he received a Bachelor of Science in Music Education. He then moved back to the Tampa area, where he was employed by the Hillsborough County School Board as an elementary school music teacher and band director for six years.

Reverend Dixon then went on to pursue a career helping ex-offenders at the Zephyrhills Correctional Institution. As an ex-offender placement specialist, Dixon assisted inmates preparing for release and later served in the same capacity at Pasco-Hernando Community College. While employed in this career, he continued to work in area school systems until his retirement from the Sarasota County School System in 1991.

While teaching in Hillsborough and Sarasota County, Reverend Dixon realized that a large percentage of his students were African American repeat offenders who were unable to gain reentry into society financially and socially. Dixon developed a strong desire to help these youths that experienced difficulty getting back on track after release due to a number of factors such as broken homes, various types of abuse and lack of education.

In response to this calling, Dixon formed COACH Foundation, Inc. and the COACH Faith Based Ministry. COACH Foundation, Inc. has numerous programs that help inmates make a smooth transition into society and become productive citizens. These programs include after-school programs, job training, counseling, affordable home-ownership as well as many other services that benefit the community. Reverend Dixon's individual efforts continue to touch lives with his partnership with the Abe Brown Prison Ministry and weekly bible study with inmates at the Zephyrhills Correctional Institution.

The Tampa Community is proud to recognize Reverend Willie G. Dixon for his efforts and outstanding contributions towards educating and guiding youth in Tampa. Reverend Dixon's determination and commitment to improving the lives of others have made him an inspirational community leader. I ask that you and all Americans recognize such a remarkable citizen for his service to our community.

CELEBRATING GANDHI JAYANTI,
INDIA'S NATIONAL HOLIDAY

HON. JOSEPH CROWLEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege and honor to offer my best wishes to the millions of Indian-Americans and to Indians around the globe on this Gandhi Jayanti, India's national holiday celebrating the birth of Mohandas Gandhi.

Political prisoner, freedom fighter, father of a nation—Gandhi shaped modern India and has continued to shape the world we live in by inspiring some of the greatest leaders of our time. A champion for the rights of all people, he fought apartheid in South Africa, colonial rule in India, and oppression and injustice in all its guises. In doing so, he has inspired our world's greatest leaders from Nelson Mandela to Cesar Chavez, Aung San Suu Kyi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

It was Dr. King who once said he owed his inspiration to fight injustice to God and his method—nonviolent resistance—to Gandhi. The American civil rights movement, from lunch counter sit-ins to the Montgomery County bus boycott, was influenced by Gandhi's foundational principle of Satyagraha, or non-violent civil disobedience.

Today, modern India is a leader as the world's largest democracy, among the world's largest economies, and as our close friend and ally. The U.S.-India friendship remains a growing and essential part of U.S. foreign policy, and working together our two countries are a powerful force for positive change in the region and in the world.

On this day, I join the Indian-American community and friends around the globe to remember and celebrate the life of this fearless man who led a nation to gain independence for his people from the British Empire. Gandhi's life was a testament to invincibility of truth over injustice. As he said, "When I despair, I remember that all through history the way of truth and love has always won. There have been tyrants and murderers and for a time they seem invincible, but in the end, they always fall. Think of it, always."

IN HONOR OF MRS. BARBARA J.
DANIEL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mrs. Barbara Daniel who is being inducted into the West Tech High School Hall of Fame by the West Tech Alumni Association.

Barbara graduated from West Tech High School in 1962. At the age of 40, Barbara enrolled at Cleveland State University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1999. Several years later, she earned her Master's Degree in English. Barbara spent 25 years in the financial services industry supporting insurance agents and financial planners. In 2001, she established Insurance Resources, and worked as a financial consultant to insurance agencies. During her career in the financial sector, Barbara served as the President of the National Association of Insurance & Financial Advisors. In 2004, Barbara changed careers and became the owner, publisher and editor of The Cleveland Women's Journal—East Edition. The mission of the magazine is "to empower women through knowledge."

In addition to her career, Barbara has been an active member of her community. She served as president of the Women's City Club from 2003 until 2006. Barbara is currently a member of the National Association of Women Business Owners, the League of Women Voters, Women in Networking, Working Women Connection, the YWCA, the American Advertising Federation, the American Marketing Association. She is also the secretary of the Dancing Wheels Board of Directors and serves on the Board of Directors for the Beachwood Chamber of Commerce.

Because of her work ethic and dedication to her community, Barbara has received several awards. In 1994, Barbara received Valmark Securities' "Excellence is the Exceptional Drive to Exceed Expectations" award. She

has also been awarded the Women's City Club Elsa Pavlik award in 2003 and was a finalist for Inside Business magazine's Athena Award in 2005.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mrs. Barbara Daniel for being honored by West Tech Alumni Association and being named to the West Tech High School Hall of Fame.

HONORING DAVID MARING

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the long and distinguished career of Principal David Maring. This summer, Mr. Maring retired after 46 years of dedication to education and academic excellence as a teacher and principal of Pilgrim Lutheran School in the 5th Congressional District of Chicago.

Mr. Maring began his long and respected career in education by joining Pilgrim Lutheran School as a teacher in 1965. After six years of excellent service he became principal of Pilgrim Lutheran.

As a principal, Mr. Maring was so dedicated to his profession that he made the extra effort to know every student by name. He inspired his staff to become the best teachers they could be in order to provide an excellent education for their students. He sought to provide a progressive education to nourish the students in both spirit and mind. Mr. Maring never fully left the classroom, and he continued to teach math and physical education and coach sports teams throughout his tenure.

Mr. Maring's dedication to his profession, his exceptional wisdom and leadership ensure his lasting place in the hearts of generations of Pilgrim students, faculty, and the Ravenswood community at large. Mr. Maring is the embodiment of the Pilgrim Lutheran motto: "Academic Excellence with a Heart."

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing David Maring and his extraordinary career, and to thank him for his many contributions to the Pilgrim Lutheran School, his students, and the community.

HONORING STEVENSON-D'ALESSIO
AMERICAN LEGION POST 12

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Stevenson-D'Alessio American Legion Post 12, located in the Borough of Somerville, Somerset County, New Jersey, on the occasion of its 90th anniversary.

In 1919, Congress chartered the American Legion as a patriotic, mutual help, war-time veterans organization; a group of veterans who established a community-service organization which now numbers nearly 3 million members. Later that same year, a small group of World War I veterans in Somerville, New Jersey decided to establish an American Legion post of their own.

The group decided to name their post in honor of one of Somerville's first residents, United States Army Sergeant John Roland Stevenson, who was killed in action in France in 1918. Stevenson Post 12, American Legion received its charter on April 1, 1921, making it the 12th post in the State of New Jersey.

Until the late 1930s, members met anywhere they could, but soon rallied together to raise money and purchase land to erect their Post home. Construction began in 1939. Through the generosity of friends and neighbors, the building was complete after six years of long volunteer hours.

In 1942, during World War II, another Somerville resident lost his life defending our country. Seaman First Class, James W. D'Alessio, U.S. Navy, paid the ultimate sacrifice when the USS *Juneau* was hit by Japanese torpedoes. To honor his memory, the members of Stevenson Post 12 adopted SC1 D'Alessio's name as part of its official title, becoming Stevenson-D'Alessio Post 12.

Today, the Post home has increased to nearly double its size since the post-WWII era and has become a good neighbor in the community. They have opened their halls to community service clubs and organizations and many non-profits are able to use their hall free of charge. After serving their Nation and protecting our freedom, Legion members and their Auxiliary have gone the extra step in continuing to serve.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in recognizing Stevenson-D'Alessio American Legion Post 12 on its 90th anniversary.

IN HONOR OF OHIO STATE
SENATOR THOMAS PATTON

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Ohio State Senator Thomas Patton who is being inducted into the West Tech High School Hall of Fame by the West Tech Alumni Association.

Born and raised in Cleveland's near Westside, Senator Patton is one of nine children. He attended St. Colman's School before enrolling at West Tech High School. While attending West Tech, Senator Patton was a member of the basketball team. Upon graduating in 1971, he married his high school sweetheart, Evelyn Hawkins, and started classes at Cleveland State University on an athletic scholarship.

In 1974, Senator Patton and his brother, Terry, opened Cleveland Business Systems. In 2002, he decided to run for a seat in the Ohio House of Representatives. He won the election and represented the 18th District from 2003 until 2008. In November 2008, Senator Patton was elected to the Ohio Senate's 24th District. As an Ohio State Senator he serves as chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee and is a member of the Finance Committee, the Energy and Public Utilities Committee and the Ways and Means and Economic Development Committee. Senator Patton also serves as co-chair of the Ohio Senate Autism Caucus and as a member of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, the Ohio Athletic Commission, the Ohio Rail Development

Commission, the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact and the ODOT Transportation Futures Steering Committee.

Throughout his career, Senator Patton has been recognized with a number of awards and accolades. He has been named Legislator of the Year by the Ohio Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), an Honorary D.A.R.E. Officer by the D.A.R.E. Association of Ohio, Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council Legislator of the Year for Protecting Consumer Choice Award and the Legislator of the Year by the Ohio Professional Society of Engineers. He has also received the Moms for Ohio Public Service Award, the FOP Distinguished Public Servant Award, Ohio Public Images Award, Ohio Alpaca Breeders Association Legislator Award and has been recognized by the Autism Society of Ohio.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mr. Thomas Patton for being honored by the West Tech Alumni Association and being named to the West Tech High School Hall of Fame.

HONORING MATHEW A. BRUNO

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the life of a beloved leader in the Modesto community, Mathew A. Bruno. Matt was born in Akron, Ohio, on December 25, 1943, and passed away surrounded by his family on September 19, 2011, in Modesto, California.

In 1946, at the age of 3, he and his family moved to Ripon, California. Growing up in Ripon he farmed peaches, almonds, and grapes with his father Tony and his two brothers Joe and Ed. Matt graduated from Ripon High School in 1961. In 1966, he left the family farming operation, and bought La Loma Liquors in Modesto.

Matt married Barbara Claypool in 1967, and together they owned and operated La Loma Liquors until they sold the business in 1972. Matt then purchased Turlock Appliance Center, and one year later purchased Miller Dairy Supply. In 1974, he merged the two companies to form Turlock Dairy & Refrigeration, Inc., a 65-employee company on South Walnut Road that played a key role in the expansion of dairy farming in the area. With Turlock Dairy & Refrigeration, Matt focused the business on dairy construction, dairy equipment, and dairy refrigeration. Matt loved all things agriculture and owned several other agriculture-related businesses through the years.

"He always put his customers and employees first," said son Tony Bruno. "He always told my brother and me that the only thing we could offer as a company is to have good service."

Throughout their 44 years of marriage, Matt and Barbara enjoyed traveling together and entertaining their many friends at their home. Matt loved tending his garden at home and sharing the bounty with anyone and everyone. He was very generous in every aspect of life; always ready to give to someone in need, whether they be in need of money, food, time, or a drink. "You can't walk on one leg!" is what Matt would say if you tried to leave after

having only one glass of wine. He was the most gracious host and loved being surrounded by people. In fact, Matt's greatest joy was spending time with his family and friends, especially his three grandchildren.

Mr. Bruno and his wife, Barbara, often held a fund-raising dinner for the Education Foundation of Stanislaus County. He also was involved with the Center for Human Services, the Memorial Hospital Foundation and other causes.

Matt is predeceased in death by his parents Tony and Martha Bruno and his brother Joe Bruno. He is survived by his wife Barbara Bruno, his son Tony (Gretta) Bruno, his son Mathew (Natalie) Bruno, and his three grandchildren Francesca, Matteo, and Rocco.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Matt Bruno for his unwavering leadership, and recognizing his accomplishments and contributions. The life of Matt Bruno serves as an example of excellence to those in our community, and his legacy will not be soon forgotten.

HONORING NATIONAL WOMEN'S
POLITICAL CAUCUS OF CALIFORNIA

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the National Women's Political Caucus of California, NWPC CA, who are celebrating 100 years of women voting in California, starting with the historic and narrowly won California state referendum and the first California Civic League, Berkeley Forum led by Miss Blanche Morse in 1911. It is an immense honor to represent Bay Area communities who have truly been at the forefront of a century's worth of major achievements in social justice.

Furthermore, NWPC is celebrating the 40th anniversary of its founding in 1971, when 320 women from 26 states met under the leadership of women's movement stalwarts like my mentor, former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, Bella Abzug, Gloria Steinem, and Betty Friedan. Four decades later, their work to empower women elected leaders and to champion citizens' informed participation in civic affairs has changed America as we know it.

Within NWPC's first three years of recruitment and leadership programming, the number of female state officeholders increased by 36 percent. Now, as a multi-partisan organization supporting an unprecedented era of women's leadership, NWPC and its California Chapter are making strides to achieve equality for all women, to ensure their reproductive freedom, and to eradicate all forms of discrimination.

As members of the National Women's Political Caucus of California, you are part of a magnificent legacy. By broadening women's participation in the political process and honing feminist women for election and appointment to public office, you are championing the vision, hopes and sacrifices of our forebears. You have pledged to continue to be the kind of bold pioneer and astute advocates who led us to this point. Therefore, I would like to thank you for your dedicated service in guiding and encouraging women toward civic engagement.

On behalf of the residents of California's 9th Congressional District, I would like to congratulate you on this milestone and thank you for the invaluable service you provide to our community. I wish the National Women's Political Caucus' local, state and national members all the best as you forge ahead toward another 100 years of bolstering women's leadership, promoting equitable policies and creating a more just and peaceful world.

IN HONOR OF MR. KENNETH
SWADE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Kenneth Swade who is being inducted into the West Tech High School Hall of Fame by the West Tech Alumni Association.

While attending West Tech High School, Kenneth was a member of the 1956 and 1957 cross country state championship teams. He graduated from West Tech in 1958 and attended Bowling Green University on an athletic scholarship, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in education in 1962. Upon graduating, he began teaching and coaching at Kennard Junior High. In 1964, Kenneth returned to West Tech High School as a teacher and coach. While teaching, Kenneth studied at John Carroll University, where he earned a Master of Arts in Education, focusing on psychology and counseling. After finishing his graduate program in 1968, Kenneth began working as a counselor at A.B. Hart Junior High School. In 1980 he was named School-to-Work Apprenticeship Coordinator. Kenneth enrolled at Kent State University to further his education again and in 1983 graduated with a Master of Arts in Education, focusing on Administration and Supervision. Before retiring in 2001, he spent his career as vocational coordinator at Max. S. Hayes, West Tech, Jane Addams Business Careers and East Technical high schools.

Throughout his career, Kenneth was recognized with a number of awards and accolades. He has been named "Outstanding Educator," "Outstanding Vocational Coordinator" twice, "Man of the Year Award" by the Rotary Club of Cleveland, and "Most Outstanding Senior High School Teacher." In 1996, the Ohio Department of Education named him to the Ohio Vocational Educational Leadership Institute.

In addition to his career as an educator Kenneth has been an active member of his community. For several years, he was the Teacher/Coordinator for the Action for Children and Youth in Transition. After retiring in 2001 to Florida with his wife, Dr. Vera Swade, he is serving as President of the Central Citrus Rotary and was also the Council President of his church.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mr. Kenneth Swade for being honored by West Tech Alumni Association and being named to the West Tech High School Hall of Fame.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND EUGENE
L. NEVILLE OF FOXBORO, MA

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. LYNCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Reverend Eugene L. Neville, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the State of Massachusetts and the religious community, and to commend him for over 30 years of his dedicated service.

Reverend Neville was born in Roxbury, MA and was educated in the Boston public school system, graduating from Roxbury Memorial High School in 1960. He later attended Barrington College in Rhode Island, where he graduated with a B.A. in Bible and Theology in 1969. He continued his theological education at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Hamilton, MA in 1972, graduating with honors. Reverend Neville also participated in post theological studies at Andover Newton Theological School, Boston University School of Theology, and Harvard Divinity School.

It was at the historic Peoples Baptist Church, under the pastorate of the late Reverend Dr. Richard M. Owens, where Reverend Neville was first called to prepare for his Christian Ministry. Subsequently, he served under the mentorship of Reverend Dr. Michael E. Hayes, Pastor of the Twelfth Baptist Church in Boston, MA, where Reverend Neville was formally ordained as a Baptist Minister. In 1975, he assumed his first pastorate at Messiah Baptist Church in Brockton, MA, where he served for 6 years. In 1981, Reverend Neville founded and became the pastor of Mount Moriah Baptist Church; under his leadership, Mount Moriah has established over 30 ministries and has become one of the most influential churches in the City of Brockton.

Reverend Neville has also been dedicated to helping the greater community. He served for 4 years at The Hymn Foundation in Boston as the first Project Director for the Black Church Capacity Building Program. This program connected Black churches with local philanthropic foundations, and provided grants up to \$8000 for their social outreach ministries. Reverend Neville has been instrumental in establishing several non-profit organizations within the church for the benefit of the greater community, such as the Amara Community Center, which has provided over 2500 children, youth, and adults with computer training and their own personal computer. Additional projects include the Higher Education Resource Center, which has assisted hundreds of first generation youth to achieve acceptance to, and remain in, college, and the Emergency Food Ministry, which is comprised of a large food pantry serving hundreds of families twice a month as well as a soup kitchen ministry serving numerous homeless individuals every Tuesday afternoon. Reverend Neville is a man of God with a vision to help individuals, families, churches, and community organizations address and overcome the challenges of this generation.

Reverend Neville is married to Ruth and they have 2 adult daughters and 5 grandchildren; he and his wife presently reside in Foxboro, MA.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take the floor of the House today to join with the

family, friends, and contemporaries of the Reverend Eugene L. Neville to thank him for his remarkable service and dedication to the religious community in the State of Massachusetts.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, on September 23, I was unavoidably detained in a meeting with the President of the United States, and so I was not present several of the rollcall votes on amendments to H.R. 2401 held that day. Had I been present I would have voted:

"Aye" on rollcall 728, the Welch Amendment to add the Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to the interagency committee that the bill would create, and to direct that committee to look at important health impacts on the most vulnerable populations (such as children and the elderly) that would be affected by EPA's proposed rules.

"Aye" on rollcall 729, the McNerney Amendment to direct the interagency committee to examine the effect on clean energy jobs and clean energy companies, including those that export clean energy technology, to the items to be considered in the analyses required by the bill.

"Aye" on rollcall 730, the Moore Amendment to ensure that the interagency committee will analyze the impact a rule or action could have on low-income communities and public health.

"Aye" on rollcall 731, the Capps Amendment to require the interagency committee to include in its analyses an estimate of the incidence of birth and developmental defects and infant mortality that would result from a delay to covered rules and covered actions under the bill.

"No" on rollcall 732, the Kinzinger Amendment, which seeks to add regulations that have not even been proposed to the list to be analyzed by the interagency committee.

"No" on rollcall 733, the Dent Amendment, which would further undermine environmental protections by adding EPA's National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry and Standards of Performance for Portland Cement Plants to the rules the must be examined by the interagency committee created by the bill.

"Aye" on rollcall 734, the Hastings (FL) Amendment to exclude from the interagency committee's review all rules and regulations that already undergo a cost-benefit analysis.

"Aye" on rollcall 735, Connolly Amendment No. 8 to require the interagency committee to study policies which will lead to creation of American jobs in the pollution control and clean energy sector.

IN HONOR OF MR. EDWARD ZAJAC

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Edward Zajac, who is being posthumously inducted into the West Tech High School Hall of Fame by the West Tech Alumni Association.

Edward was born in Cleveland, Ohio in January 1926 to his parents, who were Polish immigrants. He graduated Valedictorian from West Tech High School in 1944 and was drafted by the U.S. Army to serve during World War II. He was a radioman in a tank division in Europe and was stationed with the U.S. Army Intelligence in southern Germany until being discharged. He married Brooky Mary Calhoun in 1954. They were married for 54 years. Following his stint with the U.S. Army, Edward graduated from Cornell University as Valedictorian with a degree in engineering, a Masters degree from Princeton University and a doctoral degree from Stanford University.

For 30 years Edward worked at AT&T's Bell Telephone Laboratories in the mathematics research unit and later as head of economics research. In 1963, as an engineer, he created the world's first computer animation. His animated films became internationally known and garnered him awards from the U.S. and abroad.

Following his career with AT&T, in 1983, Edward moved from New Jersey to Arizona and became chairman of the University of Arizona's Eller School of Managers' economics department. As a professor and later, professor emeritus, Edward published numerous articles and two texts for graduate level courses. His former colleagues have since established a prize for doctoral students at Arizona University in his honor.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the memory of Mr. Edward Zajac as he is named to the West Tech High School Hall of Fame.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HARLEM ARTS ALLIANCE, INC. AND IN CELEBRATION OF HARLEM ARTS ADVOCACY WEEK 2011 "HARLEM ARTS & CULTURE: RESURGENCE AND RENEWAL"

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise with great Harlem and cultural pride to recognize the 10th Anniversary of the HARLEM Arts Alliance, Inc. as they kick off their Fifth Annual Arts Advocacy Week 2011 at the Riverside Theatre at Harlem's New York City Landmark—The Riverside Church. The Riverside Church is the tallest Church in the United States known for its elaborate Neo-Gothic architecture, which includes the world's largest tuned carillon bell.

The HARLEM Arts Alliance, HAA, is a not-for-profit arts service organization committed

to nurturing the artistic growth, capacity and development of artists and arts organizations based primarily in Harlem and the greater Harlem communities. With a membership of over 750 individual artists and arts organizations, HAA plays an essential role by helping to build the resources, network, and capacity of its richly diverse association. HAA also maintains strong partnerships with numerous arts organization and institutions throughout New York State, the region and the nation to maintain vital collaborative efforts to promote the arts in communities.

Harlem Arts Advocacy Week events will take place from Sunday, October 2, 2011 through Sunday, October 9, 2011 to highlight the importance of the artists, arts, and cultural institutions that have consistently contributed to the cultural and economic fabric and vitality of Harlem and beyond. This year's theme, "Harlem Arts & Culture: Resurgence and Renewal" will focus on the revitalization of selected Harlem cultural institutions during the challenges of the economic downturn and the shifting dynamics of Harlem.

On Monday October 3, 2011, at The Riverside Church Theatre, the HAA will present the first Humanitarian Award to legendary Actor, artist and international human rights activist Harry Belafonte to kick off its Fifth Annual Arts Advocacy Week. The Alliance will also pay special tribute to award winning Actress and civil rights pioneer Ruby Dee with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Throughout its 75-year history, The Riverside Church has been an influential stronghold of activism and political debate on the nation's religious and political landscapes. Thus, it is very symbolic and appropriate that the Alliance honor these two giants, Harry Belafonte and Ruby Dee within this great Cathedral. Danny Simmons, a visual artist, philanthropist, and former Chair of the New York State Council on the Arts will receive the Alliance's Arts Leadership Award.

The Harlem Arts Advocacy Week begins on Sunday October 2, where the New Heritage Theatre Group, Riverside Theatre and the City College of New York will present "Through the Night" a one-man play starring Obie, NAACP and Audelco award winner, Daniel Beaty.

On Monday October 3, the HARLEM Arts Alliance and Hue-Man Book Store & Café present Harlem Arts Advocacy Week's opening reception and panel discussion with noted black female playwrights entitled, "Black Women Playwrights: They Speak. Who Listens?" featuring Esther Armah, Radha Blank, Kirsten Greenidge and Kymberle Joseph.

On Tuesday October 4, the HARLEM Arts Alliance and the Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce will hold their business membership meeting and present a discussion forum entitled "Public Art: Advancing Diverse Perspectives." The forum will feature a presentation on the design and development of the Frederick Douglass Memorial Circle with visual artist and landscape architect Algernon Miller followed by a panel discussion moderated by Curtis Archer, President of Harlem Community Development Corporation.

On Wednesday October 5, The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in collaboration with the HARLEM Arts Alliance will host "The Schomburg's Kick-Off to a Season on the Cutting Edge!" The evening will include guided tours of two exhibitions: "Malcolm X: A Search for Truth" and "Romare Bearden: The

Soul of Blackness/A Centennial Tribute," a book signing by Center Director, Dr. Khalil Muhammad along with a performance showcase of Harlem Arts and Cultural organizations.

On Thursday October 6, HARLEM Arts Alliance will host a panel discussion, "Basic Legal Issues in Managing Human Resources," presented by Lawyers Alliance for New York, at The Dwyer Cultural Center.

On Friday October 7, HARLEM Arts Alliance will host the opening reception for the Strivers Art Circuit Tour, a self-guided walking tour of Harlem Art Venues and Artist Studios. A reception will take place at The Strivers Garden Gallery. The New Heritage Theatre Group will also present a new play entitled "SAVIOUR?" by Esther Armah, directed by Passion and featuring Michael Green and Jimmy Aquino, at the Dwyer Cultural Center.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all of our Harlem Arts Advocacy Week community sponsors, supporters and collaborators as we celebrate "Harlem Arts & Culture: Resurgence and Renewal" during the Fifth Annual Harlem Arts Advocacy Week 2011. Mr. Speaker, the HARLEM Arts Alliance under the tremendous leadership of Chairman Voza Rivers and Executive Director Michael Unthink has contributed daily to the survival and enhancement of Harlem's beloved cultural artist and arts organizations.

During these tough and economically challenging times, I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting and celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the HARLEM Arts Alliance as they continue their advocacy for the arts on behalf of a very grateful nation.

CELEBRATING NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY DAY

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support the designation of October 22, 2011, as National Archaeology Day. Throughout the month of October, but particularly on the 22nd, archaeological societies across the country will celebrate the thousands of years of history that have been unlocked through artifacts and discoveries.

The American Institute of Archaeology (AIA), headquartered at Boston University and comprised of over 235,000 members, will lead 108 of its local societies in a host of public educational activities to demonstrate the value of archaeological pursuits. AIA will also join with the American Anthropological Association, Society for American Archaeology, Society for Historical Archaeology, and American Schools of Oriental Research in collaborative efforts to reach out to over 100 cities across the United States through online events.

America is rich with history, and many exciting artifacts have been discovered over the years that have helped to illuminate that history. However, archaeology is about so much more than one country. Every archeological discovery opens a door into the past that can reveal important details about how our ancestors lived and what the world around them looked like so many years ago. Archeology also shows us we are united with the global community through shared past and common

customs. It affords us a window into our development as a society and provides an opportunity for people of all ages to actively engage in learning about the history of their communities.

Archaeological contributions are key to encouraging greater appreciation of our shared history and cultural heritage. Congress should do all we can to support these efforts. I am proud to join with communities across the country in recognizing October 22nd as National Archaeology Day.

IN HONOR OF MRS. ANN FRANGOS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mrs. Ann Frangos, who is being inducted into the West Tech High School Hall of Fame by the West Tech Alumni Association.

Ann is the daughter of Greek immigrants Spiros and Helen Drapos. While attending West Tech High School, she was a busy and active student. She was captain of the Warriorettes, editor of the yearbook, member of the Gym Leaders, All City Chorus, A-Chorus, and French Club. Ann graduated from West Tech in 1968 as the class valedictorian. She attended Baldwin Wallace College and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics. She went on to earn a Master of Science degree in mathematics while teaching high school mathematics in Parma Heights.

After finishing her graduate program at Cleveland State University in 1977, she began working at AT&T as an operations research analyst. Throughout her long career Ann has held a number of positions with AT&T in the finance, accounting operations, budgeting, long-range planning, and human resources departments. In 2007, Ann was named Executive Director. She is responsible for accounts receivable management for Global Business Services division, which consists of AT&T's largest international and domestic business customers.

In addition to her career, Ann is also an active member of the Greater Cleveland community. She serves on the Board of Directors of In Counsel with Women and is a board member and assistant treasurer of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of Rocky River. Ann and her husband, Louis, currently live in Westlake.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in congratulating Mrs. Ann Frangos for being honored by West Tech Alumni Association and being named to the West Tech High School Hall of Fame.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 22, 2011

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, we're voting on a Continuing Resolution that will fund the government through November 18th and provide

disaster assistance to many who desperately need it.

While I strongly support providing immediate federal support to those affected by the recent natural disasters, I'm dismayed and disappointed that the GOP leadership would pay for it at the expense of the successful Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Loan Program.

The ATVM program, created and funded with bipartisan support and signed into law by President George W. Bush, has created or saved 41,000 jobs from California to Michigan to Kentucky. The program is on-track to create another 35,000 to 40,000 by year's end.

There is no question that this program has and can continue to help ensure that our nation has a robust domestic auto manufacturing industry to build the next generation of fuel efficient cars.

Cutting funding for this program is short-sighted and will hurt our nation's rise as a global leader in advance vehicle technology and strip away good-paying jobs that Americans are so in need of. The \$1.5 billion cut to the program will likely cost 10,000 jobs.

House Republicans are pitting two great needs against each other—the need to create jobs and the need to support those harmed by natural disasters. Unfortunately, we are harming our entire nation by putting these two important goals in conflict with one another.

It is for these reasons that I must urge my colleagues to vote against the GOP Fiscal Year 2012 Continuing Resolution.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today our national debt is \$14,790,340,328,557.15.

On January 6, 2009, the start of the 111th Congress, the national debt was \$10,638,425,746,293.80.

This means the national debt has increased by \$4,151,914,582,263.35 since then. This debt and its interest payments we are passing to our children and all future Americans.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLEVELAND

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Club of Cleveland, a group of business, professional and community leaders who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build good will and peace in the world.

Rotary International was founded in 1905 and today there are more than 34,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide with 1.2 million members in over 200 countries. Each chapter is dedicated to supporting education and job training, pro-

viding clean water, combating hunger, improving health and sanitation, and eradicating polio and other childhood diseases.

The Rotary Club of Cleveland was founded in 1910 and was the 18th chartered Rotary Club in the United States. The motto for Cleveland's Rotary Club is "Service Above Self." The Rotary Club of Cleveland has a number of ongoing programs and projects that aid communities in the Greater Cleveland area and abroad.

Internationally, the Rotary Club of Cleveland has been involved in humanitarian projects in Laos, Mexico, Pakistan, Uganda, Lithuania, Indonesia, India and Kenya. Additionally, every charter of Rotary International is involved in the PolioPlus program. PolioPlus focuses on global immunization in hopes of eradicating the world of polio.

The Rotary Club of Cleveland is dedicated to serving the Greater Cleveland area and has a number of programs designed to improve, support and recognize excellence within the community. Cleveland's Rotary Club has maintained the West 25th Street Rapid Station, which services Cleveland's West Market, for more than 35 years. For more than 40 years the Club has been awarding area police, fire and EMS heroes with the Medal of Valor. The Cleveland Rotary Club's largest impact programs are those dedicated to Greater Cleveland's youth. Their program, College Now!, has provided scholarship support for hundreds of students throughout the area. Other successful projects include Achievement Centers for Children, Thesmacher High School Recognition Day, Project YESS, and support of the Old Stone Education Center.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognition of the Rotary Club of Cleveland as they celebrate 100 years of service to the Cleveland community.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF LEADINGAGE

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor LeadingAge as it celebrates 50 years of advancing policies, practices and research that empower people to live fully as they age. Founded in 1961, and formerly known as the American Association of Homes and Services (AAHSA), LeadingAge currently comprises a vast network of 5,600 not-for-profit organizations dedicated to expanding the world of possibilities for aging.

LeadingAge members touch the lives of millions of individuals and families each day through a continuum of housing and community based services, including adult day services, home health, hospice, community services, senior housing, assisted living residences, continuing care retirement communities and nursing homes. With five decades of experience, over 40 state partners, as well as businesses, research partners, consumer organizations, foundations and a broad international network of aging service organizations, LeadingAge's mission and core values have taken on a global scope.

Furthermore, I would like to recognize the outgoing chair of LeadingAge and an out-

standing leader in the field of aging and long-term services, Mr. Winthrop Marshall. Under Mr. Marshall's leadership, LeadingAge completed the transition to its new moniker, and reinvigorated its mission to expand the possibilities for aging. "LeadingAge" truly reflects the organization's leadership position in aging and its members' commitment to championing quality and dignity for America's elders. Known for his decades-long advocacy for affordable senior housing, Mr. Marshall is committed to combining housing with supportive services that help seniors remain independent and in their communities. From leading the association's fight to pass the Affordable Care Act and CLASS Act, to the passage of the landmark Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Act, Mr. Marshall's tenure as Chair has been marked by strength, solidarity and success.

Mr. Marshall has overseen LeadingAge member task forces on workforce, affordable housing, nursing home quality, home- and community-based services, and issues specific to rural members. Additionally, he spent nearly 30 years with an invaluable organization located in my district, Christian Church Homes of Northern California, which also celebrates its 50th anniversary this year.

Therefore, as we recognize LeadingAge's long legacy and its excellent leadership under Mr. Winthrop Marshall, we look forward to a bright future of affordable long-term services and support for our Nation's older adults. As LeadingAge forges ahead with its five main tenets of aging services: quality, transitions, talent, finance, and technology, I have every confidence that they will fulfill their commitment to ensure that all seniors have a place to call home.

On behalf of California's 9th Congressional District, I want to extend my congratulations on this important milestone. Thank you, LeadingAge members, for all that you do. I wish you continued success in providing our older adults with vital services and opportunities as you advance leadership in aging through innovation.

HONORING MARK ALLEE

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the bravery and selfless action demonstrated by California Conservation Corps trail camp supervisor Mark Allee.

On the morning of June 29, 2011, Mark Allee, a California Conservation Corps trail camp supervisor, patrolled from the O'Shaughnessy Dam to the Wapama Falls Bridge along the Hetch Hetchy reservoir in order to assess the trail conditions after an unseasonal storm dumped over two inches of rain in 14 hours. Wapama Falls is arguably the most powerful waterfall in Yosemite National Park and flows almost year-round. During peak flows, it has been known to inundate the trail bridge crossing it.

On the day Mr. Allee arrived at the Wapama Falls Bridge, he saw nature's unbridled power in full display. Falling over 1,000 feet, the waterfall created a venturi effect which generated

super intense winds that swirled and buffeted Mr. Allee, requiring that he take shelter behind nearby trees. Typically, spring flows over the waterfall are approximately 700 cubic feet per second; however, Mr. Allee witnessed a much more furious flow that day which was approximately twice the normal amount.

At first, Mr. Allee heard only the indistinguishable and powerful noise of intense winds, waterfall spray and heavy rain. Continuously, yet chaotically, huge bursts of water would plunge from the falls and flood the entire bridge deck. Because of this, the access trail and steps leading to the bridge were submerged in a foot of water at times as it poured onto the boulders below. The volume was described as the equivalent of five 4-foot diameter culverts disgorging their full contents simultaneously. Mr. Allee, who also works as a river guide and is a certified Swiftwater Rescue Technician, knew immediately that accessing the bridge was hazardous and that crossing it was extremely dangerous.

While radioing these conditions into park dispatch, Mr. Allee saw four (in actuality, there were five) backpackers access the bridge from the other side (east to west). Mr. Allee thought that they would recognize the severe hazard and stop; however, they did not and began an attempted crossing. Mr. Allee frantically signaled to the party to not cross. He gave multiple arm signals and shouts, but because of the intense noise, verbal communication was impossible. Despite Mr. Allee's warnings, the hikers continued to attempt a bridge crossing which set in motion the emergency.

Shocked and horrified, Mr. Allee witnessed as the first two backpackers were immediately knocked to their knees by the force of the current. He recognized the extreme threat, and in an attempt to rescue them as they would be swept downstream from the bridge, Mr. Allee jumped to position himself on a boulder just below the bridge in order to help anyone that might possibly be swept by. As Mr. Allee moved onto a large boulder immediately downstream of the bridge, the first hiker (Mr. Fox) was quickly pushed by the torrent underneath the lower rail and off of the bridge. It happened so rapidly that Mr. Allee didn't even realize that Mr. Fox had fatally disappeared into the flow. While accessing the bridge's upper handrail from the large downstream boulder, Mr. Allee saw the second backpacker (Mr. Meyer) get pushed underneath the lower rail and into the current. This time, however, Mr. Meyer was able to grab the lower handrail while his wife leaned over and held his head out of the swiftwater.

Mr. Allee leapt into action from the west side of the bridge and instinctively wrapped his legs and left arm around the top rail and extended his right arm to help Mr. Meyer. Mr. Allee looked directly into the eyes of Mr. Meyer who was clutching to the rail for his life. Exposed to full fury of the torrent, Mr. Allee screamed to Meyer's wife to "Get back!" While doing so, Mr. Allee reached down and tore Mr. Meyer's rain poncho off in order to decrease the drag on his body. Only reluctantly was Mr. Meyer's wife pulled to safety by one of the other party members. Reaching further into the violent flow and full force of the swiftwater, Mr. Allee was then able to disconnect the waistbuckle on Meyer's backpack, which was immediately swept away by the current. Having freed Mr. Meyer from that additional drag, Mr. Allee screamed to Mr. Meyer

to "Grab the truss!" Most unfortunately however, an exhausted Mr. Meyer was peeled from the lower rail and disappeared into the maelstrom below the bridge.

In shock, Mr. Allee retreated from the immense threat and returned to his pack to report the situation to the park dispatch. Subsequently, the three survivors retreated to a secure location on the east end of the bridge and awaited rescue.

With instinctive skill, tenacious strength and great courage, Mr. Allee heroically attempted to save the lives of others he did not know. The risk and threat in doing so was immense, yet Mr. Allee's actions exhibited tremendous bravery and valor. The survivors described Mr. Allee's actions as heroic.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and commending Mark Allee on his quick thinking and risk of personal safety on June 29, 2011, in Yosemite National Park.

HONORING JERSEY BATTERED WOMEN'S SERVICES

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jersey Battered Women's Services, JBWS, located in Morris County, New Jersey, as it celebrates its 35th Anniversary.

JBWS was originally founded in 1976 by a small group of women who began a hotline to aid victims of domestic violence. The need for a confidential center became urgent and apparent when two callers were murdered by their husbands. In December of 1978, JBWS opened its shelter doors to those in need of a safe house away from an abusive family member.

With more than 75 paid staff and 120 volunteers, JBWS is a full-service, private, nonprofit domestic violence agency with a mission to prevent domestic violence through the protection and empowerment of the victim, the rehabilitation of family members, the advocacy of social reform to prevent partner violence and the education of the public about domestic violence and its consequences. Victims of domestic violence, no matter their age, race, gender, religious affiliation or ethnic background need solace and support at a time when the one they often turn to is the one they are running from.

JBWS provides fully confidential services to victims to allow for their privacy and protection. They offer numerous programs including legal services, transitional living and counseling. Their counseling services are not only for victims and their children, but also for the batterer. JBWS understands that while protecting victims is important, it is also important to educate the batterer on alternative ways to address their anger.

In addition to their 24 hour hotline and safe house, education for the prevention of domestic violence is JBWS's overarching mission. As domestic abuse is a largely unreported crime, JBWS hopes to abolish the view that family violence is a private matter through the education of victims, teens and community members.

No one should be afraid to go home. JBWS gives victims of domestic violence the opportunity to create a new safe place to call home.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me in recognizing Jersey Battered Women's Services, its board, dedicated staff and volunteers on its 35th anniversary.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF SLAVIC VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 30th anniversary of Slavic Village Development, SVD, an organization committed to "revitalizing the Broadway neighborhood through rehabilitation of existing housing, storefronts and buildings; construction of new homes; retention of existing buildings and recruitment of new ones; and provision of housing services and community organizing programs to improve the quality of life."

SVD is a non-profit community development organization dedicated to the North and South Broadway neighborhoods of Cleveland, OH. Throughout the past 30 years, SVD has invested more the \$160 million into Slavic Village, one of Cleveland's oldest ethnic communities.

This year's 30th anniversary celebration, "Digging in the Past, Growing the Future," focuses on the past accomplishments that SVD has achieved as well as the goals of the organization's future. Throughout the past 30 years, SVD has developed more than 300,000 square feet of new office and retail space, built or rehabilitated 1000 homes, renovated 100 storefronts, hosted 33 Harvest Festivals, led 14 neighborhood summits, installed eight public art projects and reconstructed Broadway and Bessemer Avenues, among other projects. Some of the projects SVD looks forward to in the future include building more new homes at the Trailside development site and, in Hyacinth, reconstructing Fleet Avenue and re-imagining Broadway Slavic Village.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognizing the 30th anniversary of SVD. SVD will continue to work on behalf of the residents of Cleveland's Slavic Village, dedicated to their mission; "To preserve, empower, and advance Slavic Village as a thriving diverse neighborhood. Essential to our neighborhood is its unique identity with quality housing anchored by excellent recreational, educational, cultural, religious, and institutional anchors supported by a vibrant retail, commercial, and industrial base."

HONORING THE WORLD WAR II VETERANS OF THE UPPER PENINSULA HONOR FLIGHT

HON. DAN BENISHEK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. BENISHEK. Mr. Speaker, on the morning of September 22, the inaugural flight of the Upper Peninsula Honor Flight departed for Washington, DC. On this flight were more than 80 World War II Veterans bound for the memorial that was built in their honor. Surrounded by the giant, granite pillars and spraying fountains, there was a renewed sense of

shared sacrifice among the Veterans, and the honor of having been one of the 16 million men and women who served during World War II. This "Greatest Generation" is responsible for so much of America's prosperity, and on behalf of the citizens of Michigan's First District, I would like to recognize these heroes for their service, sacrifice, and continued patriotism. The motto of the Honor Flight Program reads "We can't all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by." It was my pleasure to do so on September 22, 2011, and honor these heroes who are responsible for the greatest victory of the 20th Century.

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Republic of China on its 100th Anniversary, which will take place on October 10th of this year.

I am proud to celebrate this tremendous milestone for Taiwan, not only because of the state's strong relationship with the United States, but as an example worldwide of the power of democracy to improve the quality of life for all citizens and create a healthy and diverse economy.

Indeed Taiwan was established to reflect the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, a man who had a vision for a democratic Chinese state inspired by American ideals of freedom of expression, representative government, and an independent judiciary. The promotion of these ideals is never easy, and the promotion of democracy in Taiwan has been a long process to be sure, yet the principles established by Dr. Sun remain a hallmark of Taiwan today.

And just as Taiwan was an early Asian backer of democratic principles and ideals, the ROC government—on Taiwan since 1949—was also an early adapter and proponent of market reforms and economic liberalization that define the modern global economy. Taiwan has seen a meteoric rise ever since, is a force in the global technology sector, and the island's economy is one of the largest in Asia and in the top tier of the developed world.

I want to again congratulate Taiwan on this most auspicious anniversary, and I look forward to continuing the strong and deep relationship between Taiwan and the United States.

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS FOR
OBTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE
SCOUT

HON. SANDY ADAMS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mrs. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Matthew Christopher Salazar for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Throughout the history of the Boy Scouts of America, the rank of Eagle Scout has only been attained through dedication to concepts

such as honor, duty, country and charity. By applying these concepts to daily life, Matthew has proven his true and complete understanding of their meanings, and thereby deserves this honor.

I offer my congratulations on a job well done and best wishes for the future.

HONORING MAURICE SPIEGEL

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize my constituent, Maurice Spiegel, who will turn 100 years old on October 27, 2011. Maurie, as he is known, is the son of Max Spiegel and Ida Kaplan, and has an older sister, Tillie, and five brothers, Lou, Irv, Frank, Hy, and Bill.

Growing up near Roosevelt Road and Halsted Street in the City of Chicago, Maurie encountered great difficulties as a young boy. His family struggled to make ends meet, and his mother had to raise the children on her own. To help his family, Maurie began selling newspapers, putting whatever he earned under his mother's pillow. When his family could no longer afford school supplies, Maurie dropped out of high school and started working in order to contribute even more.

According to his family, Maurie was very athletic as a child. He was well known for his skills in soft ball and hitting home runs. He was also a great swimmer, once saving a child from drowning. Living in a tough neighborhood, Maurie learned to defend himself and his younger brothers, though he always maintained that he never started a fight, just finished them! Today, Maurie is now known for his outstanding ability in the game of checkers.

During World War II, Maurie served in the U.S. Army from 1941 to 1945 and was stationed in Attu, which is the westernmost island of the Aleutian Islands of Alaska. Maurie obtained his high school G.E.D. and took several college courses under the G.I. Bill after his military service. He worked various positions for the United States Postal Service in Chicago for 27 years until his retirement. Despite being retired, Maurie worked as a messenger for Continental Bank for another 15 years. Since high school, Maurie has worked full time until he was almost 80 years old.

Maurie married the love of his life, Lucille, and had one son, Harvey. Lucille and Maurie moved into North Park Village Apartments in 1984. Lucille passed away in 1987. Harvey says of his parents, "My dad was the most loyal and reliable husband to my mom. They were a couple who truly loved each other."

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Maurice "Maurie" Spiegel on his 100th birthday. His life is a wonderful testament of his immense love for his family and of his outstanding dedication and service to his community and the United States of America.

HONORING MR. NORMAN W. GREEN

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the death of United States Army veteran Mr. Norman W. Green.

Mr. Green served in the Army during the Korean War with the 187th Air-borne Regimental Combat Team. He participated in the regimental parachute assault on Sukchon, North Korea, during the 1950 Battle of Pakchon. Mr. Green was later wounded and received a Purple Heart.

Mr. Green was devoted to his local communities, first in Cleveland, OH, as a union painter and later in Dunkirk, NY, as a local business owner and entrepreneur.

Mr. Green was also a family man. He leaves behind a widow, Mrs. Ruth Gestwicki Green, two children, a daughter Nancy and a son Norman. Also surviving are three grandchildren.

It is with great pride that I rise today to remember Mr. Norman W. Green, a veteran of our Nation's armed forces and a proud member of this wonderful community.

FAIRFAX KIWANIS CLUB

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize the Fairfax Kiwanis Club which will recognize the 65th Anniversary of the club on October 4th, 2011. A special ceremony will take place to honor the history and tradition of the Fairfax Kiwanis Club that has existed since 1946.

The Fairfax Kiwanis Club is involved with numerous service projects each year. When a community need arises, the Kiwanis club is ready to respond. Such was the case when the local library needed a sidewalk replaced. The club responded by raising \$25,000 for the project. The Fairfax Kiwanis club is very active with youth activities, including Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. The club participates in international efforts in addition to their service in the local community.

Kiwanis is a worldwide service organization of men and women who share the challenge of community and world improvement. Since its founding in Detroit, Michigan, in 1915, Kiwanis has grown to more than 8,400 clubs in 96 nations. There are about 606,600 active members in the Kiwanis family, representing nearly every culture on every continent, all seeking to improve people's lives. Kiwanians give their time to make their communities and world better places in which to live and work.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing the Fairfax Kiwanis Club. The Fairfax Kiwanis Club is a tremendous service organization that serves its community well.

TRIBUTE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
MARYLAND TEAM WHO WON THE
SOLAR DECATHLON 2011

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a talented team of students from my alma mater, the University of Maryland, who this weekend won first place at the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon 2011 here in Washington.

The U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon is a competition among collegiate teams to design and build solar-powered houses that combine affordability and appeal to consumers with energy-efficiency and design excellence. The University of Maryland team's house, WaterShed, was awarded first place in recognition of its innovative use of solar energy and water conservation, excellent design, and strong performance in daily competitions. In addition to winning the overall competition, the Maryland team also proved victorious in the Architecture Contest and tied for first with perfect scores in both the Hot Water and Energy Balance contests.

Over 200 students, representing a wide variety of disciplines including architecture, engineering, environmental science and plant sciences, contributed to WaterShed, making Maryland's victory a truly collaborative effort. By blending innovation and technology with sustainability and conservation, these students demonstrated the creativity, teamwork, technical knowledge, and determination that are essential as we work to revive our economy and regain our nation's place as a leader in high tech and sustainable manufacturing.

The hard work of the Maryland team, and the work of the 19 other teams involved in the competition, illustrate the goals of the Make It In America plan that my Democratic colleagues and I are pursuing. The Make It In America plan emphasizes support for American firms developing new clean energy technologies, creating jobs while investing in a more sustainable future. This competition, with its focus on both cost-effectiveness and energy-efficiency, is an excellent example of the approach we need to pursue to achieve our economic and sustainability goals.

I would like to recognize the work of student leaders Jay Chmielewski, David Daily, Leah Davies, Steve Emiling, Isabel Enerson, Tamir Ezzat, Michael Feldman, David Gavin, Jeff Gipson, Newton Gorrell, Joseph Ijjas, Moshe Katz, Yehuda Katz, Lynn Khuu, Zachary Klipstein, Parlin Meyer, Jeff Rappaport, Matt Sickle, Evan Smith, Scott Tjaden, Kevin Vandeman, Nick Weadock, Allison Wilson, and Veronika Zhiteneva and faculty team members Mike Binder, Patricia Kosco Cossard, Amy Gardner, Brian Grieb, Dr. Keith Herold, Madlen Simon, Dr. David Tilley and Brittany Williams.

The University of Maryland team—including students, faculty, and professional mentors—should be congratulated for their impressive accomplishments, and I am proud to honor these exceptional individuals. I urge my colleagues to join with me in applauding this impressive feat, and I ask unanimous consent that the names of the team members, the extended team and the mentors be included in the RECORD following my statement.

Team Members: Ali Alaswadi, Benjamin Bates, Amy Chen, Brennan Clark, Linda Clark Michael Craton, Natalya Dikhanov, Eric Gellman, James Han, Justin Heil, Justin Huang, Erik Kornfeld, John Kucia, Allen Meizlish, Jeffrey Sze and Andrew Taverner.

Extended Team: Sahin Arikoglu, Alex Atahua, Rishi Banerjee, Justin Bare, Katherine Beisler, Jacob Bialek, Paul Bilger, Christopher Binkley, Ian Black, Andrew Bruno, Victoria Chang, Wen-Hui Chen, Ethan Cowan, Justin Cullen, Diana Daisey, Adam Davies, Aleron Dsilva, Mariam Eshete, Eric Faughnan, Ryan Fitch, Meredith Friedman, Holman Gao, Louis Gbone, Philip Geilman, Phil Geiman, Marisa Gomez, Karen Hillis, Ananya Hiremath, Vanessa Hoffman, Amy Hudson, Phil Jacks, Peter James, Eric Joerdens, Christine Kandigian, Jacob Kunken, Christopher Leung, Arik Lubkin, Christopher Luther, Ryan Maisel, Bracha Mandel, Maria Martello, Zachary Martinez, Abe Massad, Mark Matovich, Shakira McCall, Kenneth Morgan, Christopher Myers, Zachary Nerenberg, Matthew Newman, Yuchen Nie, Albert Palmer, Daniel Perdomo, Robert Pettit, Chau Pham, Georgina Pinnock, Kaitlin Pless, Olga Pushkareva, James Ramil, Mark Reese, Raheena Rehman, Nicolas Roldos, Boateng Rosemond, Michele Rubenstein, Michael Satoh, Charles Schupler, Juliet Serem, Valerie Smith, Jacob Steinberg, Michael Taylor, Alexander Tonetti, Marcela Trice, Katherine Vocke, Nader Wallerich, Luxi Wang, Amy Weber, Sofia Weller, Christine Wertz, Kiley Wilfong, Christine Wirth, Fawna Xiao, Diane Ye, and Jesse Yurow.

Mentors: Deborah Bauer, Grant Baxter, Charlie Berliner, Dan Blankfeld, Joe Bolewski, Brian Borak, Erin Carlisle, John Cartagirone, Chris Cobb, John Coventry, Adam Eurich, Taz Ezzat, George Fritz, Julie Gabrielli, Aditya Gaddam, Jennifer Gilmer, Anne Hicks Harney, Maggie Haslam, Ray Hayleck, Joan Honeyman, Ming Hu, Adam Keith, Peter Kelley, Benson Kwong, Mike Lawrence, Dale Leidich, John Love, Kristen Markham, Evan Merkel, John Morris, Frank Plummer, Don Posson, Kristin Potterton, Tyler Sines, Niklas Vigener, Dan Vlacich, Fred Werth, Bill Wiley, Jay Williams, and Dan Zimmerman.

TO AMEND THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE TO QUALIFY HOMELESS YOUTH WHO ARE STUDENTS FOR PURPOSES OF THE LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, at any given time more than 1 million youth are homeless in America. In the midst of a recession where Federal, State, and local government budgets are being cut, needed services for these youth have all but disappeared.

Low Income Housing Tax Credits have helped fill this void and create private-public partnerships to build affordable low income housing. This housing has been invaluable in providing much needed shelter for those hit hardest by the recession. Unfortunately, a quirk in the law prohibits full time students, who were previously homeless from living in

these units. A homeless youth, who wishes to pursue full time education, must choose between education and remaining homeless. This is not a choice our youth should make, nor is this a policy America has ever supported.

Education has always been the cornerstone of American excellence and ingenuity. Even more, an education remains the best hope for homeless youth to escape poverty as adults. It is critical that we fix this defect in the law, and ensure that our youth are given every opportunity to reach their educational goals.

PALESTINIANS AT THE UN

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, while the Palestinians engage in political theater at the United Nations, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict gets no closer to resolution and the Palestinians get no closer to a real state. A Palestinian state can only come about through direct talks between Israel and the Palestinians. Instead of working toward peace, Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas is engaging in political theater that will leave the Palestinian people even more frustrated with the lack of tangible results.

I am pleased that President Barack Obama stood up at the United Nations General Assembly and told the world that "Peace will not come through statements and resolutions at the U.N." It was a brave speech that will make him less popular in many quarters, but it was the right thing to do.

America believes in a two state solution. Israel believes in a two state solution. The Quartet believes in a two state solution. But there is a big difference between a theoretical ideal and the nuts and bolts of defining a new country's borders, ensuring the security of its neighbors, and resolving open issues regarding refugees and water rights. And while Israel has conceded the right of the Palestinians to have their own state, the Palestinians have never acknowledged the right of Israel to exist as a Jewish state.

The fig leaf of an agreement between Hamas and the Palestinian Authority cannot hide the fact that the two factions remain at war with one another for control and that Hamas remains determined to erase Israel from the globe. They have managed to maintain an uneasy truce in order to secure international approbation, but it is unlikely to last. If Hamas wins the struggle or remains a significant element of the government without renouncing terrorism and its determination to destroy Israel, then the fledgling Palestinian state would be established with the intent of waging war on Israel. That is an unacceptable outcome, particularly if the UN, which was founded to promote peace, serves as the midwife to the new state.

What we are witnessing at the United Nations is nothing more than a popularity contest. And when it comes to a popularity contest, the Palestinians win. The Organization of Islamic Cooperation has 57 states. There is only one Jewish state.

UN recognition of a Palestinian State will yield few changes in the lives of most Palestinians. The most significant tangible result

would be an ability to bring cases against Israel in international legal bodies that are often hostile to the Jewish state. But ordinary Palestinians will soon realize that their lives are little changed. Their disappointment will further destabilize the region and leave us farther from a resolution to the conflict.

At the end of the day, the Palestinians' gambit will bring them no closer to peace, no closer to established borders and no closer to economic stability. It will, however, leave Israel more isolated, more vulnerable and less secure. I applaud President Obama and both the Democratic and Republican leadership of Congress for taking a principled stand against an unprincipled effort. Peace can only come from the bargaining table.

CONGRATULATIONS TO TAIWAN
ON ITS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I join with many others to congratulate our good friends, The Republic of China (commonly known as Taiwan), on their 100th anniversary, which will take place on October 10, 2011.

Relatively speaking, America is not much older than Taiwan. The United States has only been around for 235 years, and like Taiwan, is young in comparison to many of the countries of the world. To the people of Taiwan, October 10th is revered as much as July 4th in the United States. As many remember, we had a huge celebration for our bicentennial in 1976.

Just to put in perspective how long ago the United States celebrated our 100th anniversary in 1876, our president was Ulysses S. Grant, Alexander Graham Bell made his famous first phone call to Watson, and the United States only had 37 states at the beginning of that year.

Just as we have progressed in our second 100 years, Taiwan has greatly changed in its first 100 years, as well. One of the most exciting changes is that Taiwan has become a full-blown democracy over the last 15 years having its first actual direct elections for president in 1996. Since then, Taiwan has had three successful transfers of power from one party to another, showing the fairness and legitimacy of its elections.

Taiwan is a beacon of democracy in Southeast Asia, and we look forward to our continued friendship for many years to come. On behalf of the citizens of the Sixth District of North Carolina, we offer our congratulations to Taiwan on its centennial celebration.

CONGRATULATING TAKEYSHA
SHEPPARD CHENEY

HON. STEVE STIVERS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. STIVERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate TaKeysha Sheppard Cheney on being named the 2011 Empowered Woman of the Year by the Women Presidents' Organization. Her dedication to empowering women and helping girls reach their full potential is inspiring.

From her work in the State Legislature to her time as the Executive Director of the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus, Ms. Sheppard Cheney has been an active participant in public service and making Ohio a better place for families. Her efforts with the LEADER Institute, a leadership development program for girls, is to be commended.

She has further made a difference in Columbus by serving on the boards of the Salvation Army of Central Ohio; the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium; the Ohio Commodores; and ROX, which is an empowerment program for girls.

Today, Cheney is the founder, CEO and publisher of The Women's Book, a magazine that shares information and resources for women in Central Ohio. The publication focuses on the latest happenings for women and girls in Columbus, and she has successfully expanded her publication to Cincinnati and Cleveland.

I would again like to congratulate TaKeysha Sheppard Cheney for being the 2011 Empowered Woman of the Year. She has truly made a difference in the lives of women and girls in the Central Ohio area.

REVEREND DOCTOR STEVEN D.
RILEY

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate my dear friend, the Reverend Doctor Steven D. Riley, who was honored this past weekend for his 30th Anniversary as Pastor of Christ Temple Baptist Church in Ypsilanti, Michigan and his 40 years of teaching the gospel. A large and enthusiastic group of friends from all walks of life, leaders from the community, and people he touched throughout his life all gathered for a service to pay tribute to this wonderful local leader. The greatest message given that evening was seen on the faces of the audience whose love, gratitude, affection and respect for Reverend Riley's service to the church and his community radiated throughout the service.

He has led Ypsilanti and Southeast Michigan by his ministerial example and being steadfast in his mission to shape and mold the present into a better future. He has worked hard to ensure that residents in Southeast

Michigan have a friend in faith, are cared for, and have a roof overhead. For that, I would like to say on behalf of the people of Michigan's 15th Congressional District, thank you.

Reverend Doctor Riley has dedicated his career to spreading the gospel in Southeast Michigan. His commitment to serving others has helped my constituents lead healthier, more fulfilled lives. He has been a leader among the church-affiliated groups in Southeast Michigan. I want to thank him for his love of all people and for his tremendous friendship.

Mr. Speaker, I am told that Reverend Doctor Riley chose his career early in life. At the age of 11, he began ministering to his neighbors in Detroit, and stayed focused growing in the faith by earning a bachelor's degree in theology and philosophy. He felt called to continue learning more, going on to get a master's degree in theology and religious studies, and a doctorate of divinity degree along with a doctorate of humane letters.

Mr. Speaker, Reverend Doctor Riley is an honorable man who has done many great things for the citizens of Southeastern Michigan. I am honored to have him as friend. I ask that you and all of my colleagues join me in congratulating Reverend Doctor Riley for his tireless support, kindness and leadership to his community and to give him our best wishes for the future.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SSI EX-
TENSION FOR ELDERLY AND
DISABLED REFUGEES ACT OF
2011

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 3, 2011

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the SSI Extension for Elderly and Disabled Refugees Act of 2011. I introduced a similar bill on August 1. This modified version would grant a one-year extension of current law, which passed unanimously in both chambers of Congress in 2008 and was signed into law by President Bush (P.L. 110-328). Under this law, elderly and disabled refugees and certain humanitarian immigrants who are very low income may receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for up to 9 years before becoming citizens, to allow time for naturalization. The Senate unanimously passed this bill today.

Unfortunately, the current law expired on September 30, 2011. Without immediate passage of this bill, thousands of refugees will face serious hardship. This legislation will be completely paid for by collecting a \$30 fee on diversity visas through October 1, 2013. Excess funds would go to the Department of Treasury. Congressional Budget Office estimates that this bill would result in \$24 million in deficit reduction.

Mr. Speaker, this is a common sense bill that continues an existing law. I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, 2011 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

OCTOBER 5

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Economic Policy Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine perspectives on the economic implications of the Federal budget deficit.

SD-538

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan Denise Page, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Sudan, Adrienne S. O'Neal, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, Mary Beth Leonard, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali, and Mark Francis Brzezinski, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Sweden, all of the Department of State.

SD-419

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ernest Mitchell, Jr., of California, to be Administrator of the United States Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

SD-342

2 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Contracting Oversight Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine food service management contracts, focusing on if contractors are overcharging the government.

SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine considering the role of judges under the Constitution of the United States.

SH-216

OCTOBER 6

9:30 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Investigations Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine speculation and compliance with the "Dodd-Frank Act".

SD-342

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard Cordray, of Ohio, to be Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, Alan B. Krueger, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President, David A. Montoya, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Cyrus Amir-Mokri, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and Patricia M. Loui, of Hawaii, and Larry W. Walther, of Arkansas, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the Financial Stability Oversight Council annual report to Congress.

SD-538

Environment and Public Works

Children's Health and Environmental Responsibility Subcommittee

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Federal actions to clean up contamination from legacy uranium mining and milling operations.

SD-406

Finance

To hold hearings to examine tax reform options, focusing on incentives for homeownership.

SD-215

Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 1301, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2012 to 2015 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat trafficking in person, H.R. 368, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify and improve certain provisions relating to the removal of litigation against Federal officers or agencies to Federal courts, an original bill entitled, "Federal Courts Jurisdiction and Venue Clarification Act of 2011", H.R. 394, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, an original bill entitled, "Appeal Time Clarification Act of 2011", H.R. 2633, to amend title 28, United States Code, to clarify the time limits for appeals in civil cases to which United States officers or employees are parties, S. 1014, to provide for additional Federal district judgeships, and the nominations of Evan Jonathan Wallach, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Dana L. Christensen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana, Cathy Ann Bencivengo, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Gina Marie Groh, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, Margo Kitsy Brodie, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Adalberto Jose Jordan, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, John M. Gerrard, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, Mary Elizabeth Phillips, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, Thomas Owen Rice, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, David Nuffer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Steven R. Frank, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Martin J. Pane, to be United States

Marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and David Blake Webb, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, all of the Department of Justice.

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10:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Global Narcotics Affairs Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Peace Corps, focusing on the next fifty years.

SD-419

2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine internet infrastructure in native communities, focusing on equal access to e-commerce, jobs and the global marketplace.

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2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

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OCTOBER 11

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine labor-management forums in the Federal government.

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2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Carcieri crisis, focusing on the ripple effect on jobs, economic development and public safety in native communities.

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OCTOBER 18

2:30 p.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Elementary and Secondary Education Act", and any pending nominations.

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OCTOBER 20

2:15 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 134, to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights, S. 399, to modify the purposes and operation of certain facilities of the Bureau of Reclamation to implement the water rights compact among the State of Montana, the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana, and the United States, S. 1298, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, S. 1327, to amend the Act of March 1, 1933, to transfer certain authority and resources to the Utah Diné Corporation, and S. 1345, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam.

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